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In Re Application Of: STEINHARDT								
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X	In the event that the Foreign Search Report is in a foreign language, a translation thereof is herewith submitted.
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Respectfully submitted,

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